during 1986, 1987 and 1988 was Rs. 2115.23 lakhs, Rs. 2186.23 lakhs and Rs. 386.83 lakhs respectively. These imports were from the Soviet Union for the Rajasthan Atomic Power Station.

(d) In addition to the existing plants, two more Heavy Water Plants, one at Manuguru and another at Hazira are under construction. Additional plants to meet the anticipated demands are being planned.

Refusal by U.S.A. to reduce arms supply to Pakistan

2033. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the U.S. Government have rejected Indian Government's plea to stop or to reduce arms supply to Pakistan in view of the Geneva accord and have approved military aid to Pakistan worth 240 million dollars without any cut and without involving any repayment; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government with regard thereto stating its likely implications in the subcontinent and in solving the Afghan problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) The U.S. Administration has proposed the continuation of military sales credits to Pakistan, amounting to $ 240 million for the financial year 1989. These proposals are still under consideration of the US Congress.

(b) Government has more than once expressed its serious concern over the supply of sophisticated U.S. arms to Pakistan. These are a source of instability in the sub-continent and in the region. They make more difficult the implementation of the Geneva Accords. The scrupulous observance of these Accords is necessary for the reservation of peace and normalcy in Afghanistan.

Clearance of Polavaram Project

2034. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Andhra Pradesh Government have urged the Central Government to give clearance to the Polavaram Project immediatly without insisting on the conditions relating to catchment area treatment and land to land proposition;

(b) what are the reasons for the delay in this regard; and

(c) whether Central Government will consider immediate approval for the clearance for the said Project in view of the importance, benefits and urgency of the project and the time by when it is likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) Andhra Pradesh has been requested to submit a modified project report keeping in view the observations made by the Central appraising agencies.

Modified proposals for the use of water

2035. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh have submitted the modified proposal restricting the use of the available water to 171.71 tmcft as per the directive of the Central Water Commission with regard to the second stage of the Sriram Sagar Project in Andhra Pradesh and the modified proposals were yet to be approved by the C.W.C and

(b) if so, by when the said modified proposals are likely to be approved by the CWC and what are the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and

(b) The modified proposal for Sriram Sagar Stage-II received in Central Water Commission is not included in the Seventh Five Year Plan.

Indians residing abroad

2036. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted by Government to ascertain the number of Indians residing in foreign countries;

(b) if so, what is their number, country-wise; and

(c) the percentage out of them who have accepted foreign citizenship?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (PROF. K.K. TEWARI) (a) Yes, Sir, based largely on published statistics.

(b) and (c) The estimated number of Overseas Indians country-wise alongwith percentage of them who have accepted foreign citizenship is given in the annexure. [*See* Appendix CXLVII, Annexure No. 84.]

Navigational system for Air Force Transport Fleet

2037. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Air Force had contracted with a foreign firm to instal latest navigational system for Air Force Transport fleet;

(b) if so, what was the investment in this contract;

(c) whether the installed system is capable of giving adequate security to Air Force Transport fleet;

(d) whether Government have made any effort sto develop an air borne radar system for the futuristic jet aircraft at its Research and Development Section; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 96.67 lakhs.

(c) The systems acquired meet the operational requirements for navigation of IAF transport aircraft.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Working of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited

2038. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have inquired into the working of H.A.L. during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the nature of lapses, if any, detected; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government for improving the working of H.A.L.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (c) No inquiry into the working of M/s. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has been undertaken by the Government during the last three years. However, Government has a mechanism of periodically reviewing and monitoring the performance of M/s HAL, based on which suitable instructions/guidelines wherever considered necessary are issued